

## PATENT

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**AMENDMENT REMARKS**

Dear Sir:

On July 28, 2003, the Examiner suggested the instant amendment to claim 7. The Examiner requested on August 7, 2003 that Applicants submit a formal amendment to claim 7. Applicants have done that here.

To further differentiate the invention from the art of record, the applicant further adds claim 26 to depend from claim 7. Support for claim 26 is found on page 10, lines 26-29 of the instant specification. No art of record anticipates or suggests the invention as now claim d.

An earnest attempt has been made hereby to respond to the Examiner's July 28,